STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2004 No. 512

AGRICULTURE

The Common Agricultural Policy Support Schemes (Hardship Notification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004

Made - - - -	*13th December 2004*
Coming into operation	*13th December 2004*

The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, being a Department designated(**1**) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(**2**) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Community and in relation to the promotion of rural development, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the said section 2(2) and every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Common Agricultural Policy Support Schemes (Hardship Notification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004 and shall come into operation on 13th December 2004.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**3**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to an Act of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Date for hardship notification

3. In relation to any notification referred to in Article 40(3) of Council Regulation (EC) No. 1782/2003(**4**) in respect of a holding or part of a holding in Northern Ireland –

(a) the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development is hereby appointed as the competent authority; and

(b) 7th January 2005 is hereby fixed as the deadline for the purposes of that paragraph.

(**1**) S.I.2000/2812 to which there are amendments not relevant to the subject matter of these Regulations, and S.I. 2000/3238
(**2**) 1972 c. 68
(**3**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(**4**) O.J. No. L270, 21/10/2003, p. 1, as last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No. 864/2004, O.J. No. L161, 30/4/2004, p. 48